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TO JOHN KEAN1

1 An officer in the Bank of the United States. From the original in the possession of the editor.

Germantown, Nov. 16, 1793.

Th. Jefferson presents his compliments to mr. Kean & congratulates him sincerely on his and mrs. Kean's having escaped the dangers of the season.

Thinking it possible that the members of Congress (retaining the horrors of the yellow fever which prevail at a distance) may remove to Lancaster, & on so short notice as to prevent Th. J. from settling his affairs in Philadelphia, he thinks it best to do that while he has time, & for that purpose it would be convenient for him to command his salary of the present quarter. He therefore begs the favor of mr. Kean to put the note which accompanies this into the proper channel for discount; and if he will be so kind when it is decided on, as to send a line of information for Th. J. to his office on Market street he will be much obliged to him.

Will the form of this note render an order from mr. Taylor requisite to authorise Th. J. to receive the money?